

Dear Confirmation Parents and students,

*“And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, **“Receive the Holy Spirit.”**” (Jn.20:22)*

As the pandemic crisis is slowing down and the Churches are reopened, I am writing to inform you that Bishop Gerardo J.Colacicco has given us a new Confirmation date for our Parish which is on **Sunday July 19th @ 2.00pm and 3.30pm.** Since there is limited number of seats, we are making the celebration very simple only having the **‘Liturgy of the Word and the Confirmation Rite’** and that’s why we have **two celebrations.** And I will list out the ‘names of students’ for each celebration and the ‘Confirmation Rite’ below. Please **go through the Rite.** This way, the Candidates know their responses beforehand. Also, the candidate as well as the sponsor should **arrive 40 minutes early** and this can help us to have a small rehearsal before the celebration. Please wear the **Red Confirmation Gown** that you have got. **Only 6 people are allowed per family including the candidate.**

And I know that all the candidates might have made their confessions but if anyone needs to make their confessions before this great Sacrament, Fr. Rodrigo is available @4.00pm every Saturday in the Church. Dear Parents, help your children to receive **‘the Holy Spirit’** with an open and welcoming heart. And as they receive Him, I wish that **their lives be empowered and lighted up by His special gifts for their future life.** Thank you for cooperating with us. My prayers are always there for you and for your family.

In the Holy Spirit
Sr. Shinty Antony, DRE

First Group of Candidates @2.00pm	Second Group of C. @ 3.30pm
Anabella, Almeida Annalisa, Anzelino Andrew, Colon Brandon, Alba Christopher, Rubino Daniel, Healy Erik, Kiernan Jacob, Montalvo Hannah Pawlowski Jake, Slovitsky Julianne, Reid Jason, Delguidice Jake Smith Juan, Nava Marva Nava Jenna, McComb Kate, Webster Liam, Winter Logan, kenney	Liam, Woodruff Matthew, Boffalo Madelyn, Magsamen Mia, Algarin Marc, Cancelliere Madelyn, Carpenter Mason, Gove McKenzie, Hallahan Oscar, Avila Russell, Bavolar Rhianna, Garmendiz Rylan, Tuttle Sam, Cerone Sidney, Hurtado Tyler Mullen Taylor, Hoehmann RCIA Candidates Rachael Alwardt David Carroll

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The Rite of Confirmation

(Please be seated)

HOMILY: Bishop Gerardo

Renewal of Baptism Promises

(Stand)

Bishop: Do you reject Satan and his words and all his empty promises?

Candidates: I do

Bishop: Do you believe in God the Father Almighty, creator of Heaven and earth?

Candidates: I do

Bishop: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was born of the Virgin Mary, was crucified, died and was buried, rose from the dead, and is now seated at the right hand of the Father?

Candidates: I do

Bishop: Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who came upon the apostles at Pentecost and today is given to you sacramentally in Confirmation?

Candidates: I do

Bishop: Do you believe in the Holy Catholic Church, the communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting?

Candidates: I do

Bishop: This is our faith, this is the faith of our Church, we are proud to profess it in Christ Jesus, Our Lord.

Candidates and Congregation: Amen

Imposition of Hands

(Stand)

Bishop: My dear friends: In Baptism, God our Father gave the new birth of eternal life to his chosen sons and daughters. Let us pray to our Father that He will pour out the Holy Spirit to strengthen his sons and daughters with His gifts and anoint them to be more like Christ the Son of God. (Pause for silent prayer) All powerful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, by water and the Holy Spirit you freed your sons and daughters from sin and gave them new life. Send your Holy Spirit upon them to be their Helper and Guide. Give them **WISDOM** and **UNDERSTANDING**, the spirit of **RIGHT JUDGEMENT** and **COURAGE** the spirit of **KNOWLEDGE** and **REVERENCE**. Fill them with the spirit of **WONDER AND AWE** in your presence. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen

The Anointing with Crism

(The Candidates accompanied by their Sponsor go before the Bishop to be sealed with the Holy Spirit. The sponsor places his/her right hand on the left shoulder of the candidate).

Bishop (Confirmation name) : *Be sealed with the gifts of the Holy Spirit.*

Candidate: Amen

Bishop: *Peace be with you.*

Candidate: *And with your spirit .*

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS (Prayer of the Faithful)

Response to Petitions: Lord, hear our prayer.

